REMARKS

Claims 1-40 were pending in the application at the time of the Restriction Requirement. The restriction set forth a requirement requiring Applicants to elect one of the following groups of claims for prosecution on the merits:

Group I: 1-6, 7-9, 23-36, 37-40

Group II: 10-22

Applicant hereby elects without traverse Group I containing claims 1-6, 7-9, 23-36 and 37-40 for examination. Applicant also authorizes the Examiner to cancel the remaining claims 10-22.

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